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In re Application of:)
Rosa Maria COVARRUBIAS)
Application No.: 09/803,225) Group Art Unit: 1731
Filed: March 9, 2001) Examiner: Chin, Peter
For: PAPERMAKING PULP INCLUDING RETENTION SYSTEM)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 14, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2002, for one month from February 21, 2003 to March 21, 2003.

Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension fee for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0925. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed herewith.

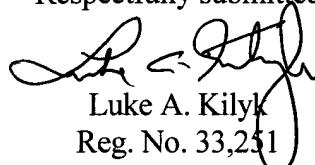
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